PHOENIX COLLEGE FACULTY ASSOCIATION
Faculty Senate Meeting
Friday, February 19, 2016
Hacienda Room
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Minutes

I. General

A. Call to order
Meeting called to order at 1:07pm.

B. Senators present: John Schampel (President), Kory Ambrosich (President Elect), Patty Finkenstadt (Past President), Cindy Cloud, Debbie Webster, Andrea Villareal, Karl Schindler, Michael Wilson, Amy MacPherson, Rody Randon, Adrianna Coronel, Anna Marti-Subirana
Senators absent: Dawn Klecka, Frank Marfai, Scott Geddis
Visitors: Carmel Ann Weingart, Victor Cornell

C. Approval of the agenda
Motion to approve agenda as amended (Cloud, Wilson, MPU)

D. Approval of February 5, 2016 minutes
Motion to approve minutes (Cloud, Wilson, MP with 3 abstentions)

II. Business

A. March 4, 2016 Senate Meeting
The District-wide IC Chair/ATF meeting is scheduled at 2pm on March 4 in Tempe which conflicts with Senate. Via email, Senate discussed an earlier time: 11-1. However, this conflicts with a luncheon hosted by the Library. Other options were considered. Remaining Senate meetings are scheduled for March 25, April 15, and May 6.

Motion to cancel the March 4, 2016 meeting (Villareal, Marti-Subirana, MPU)

III. Information

A. PC President Search
The Search Committee reconvened and discussed the impact of the Chancellor's decision regarding the PC Presidential Search. John reported to Senate that several members who had declined to participate in the next Search agreed to participate in a future search because the meeting helped them understand the decision. One major result of the meeting was consensus by the Committee to not use Cisek & Associates in the next search. The District has 3 other search firms on contract and available to assist in executive searches. Other topics discussed included the timeline of the search, the transparency of the process once the

Committee recommended finalists, the format of the public forums, the importance of site visits, and the deliberative process of the Chancellor regarding consideration of the feedback received.
The next search is anticipated to begin early Fall 2016 with largely the same Search Committee.

B. PC Budget
VP DeRose shared the budget with the PC community via GoogleDrive. Senate leadership is still discussing budget priorities for the College with Administration. Fund 7 and Fund 3 are still to be reported. In addition, vacancy savings and temporary salary savings are still being discussed.

Discussions regarding replacement faculty positions are occurring, but only one faculty has officially put in their retirement papers. It is not anticipated that there will be as many new residential faculty hires as there have been in the past two years.

C. FA President Elect
John reminded Senate that the Faculty Association determines the next FA President Elect by election by the Faculty Executive Council. PC has two voting members on FEC.

Two candidates have put their name forward for the position: Mike Mitchell (PV) and Gary Smith (PV). John inquired if Senate would like additional information regarding the candidates. Senate indicated that they trust John and Jim to use their experience and discretion regarding how they will cast their votes at FEC in April. Zone Senators are requested to solicit input from their Zones regarding the candidates and to send any input or questions to John.

D. Adjunct Award
Instead of identifying excellent adjuncts for a PC Senate award, Andrea and Debbie will work with the Adjunct Faculty Association representative (Michael Zirulnik) to identify adjuncts for the District-wide Outstanding Adjunct Award.

IV. Zone Reports
Zone 1: No report.
Zone 2: Zone 2 wanted more information on the PC President Search and Staffing. This was addressed in Information above.
Zone 3: Amy and Rody are pleased to be on Senate. John will send something to all faculty announcing their new position on Senate.
Zone 4: Zone 4 asked about the allocation of vacant space on campus given the move of HPFW, Dental and Nursing Departments to off-site space. Chemistry will be temporarily moved during renovation of C building, and SMAC will be involved in future permanent space allocations. Zone 4 also had an inquiry regarding the possible development of a “climate survey” for administrative personnel and functions. What method can be used to allow faculty to provide feedback to administrators? John indicated that developing a “survey” collaboratively would provide administrative

buy-in to the results. This could be framed as “let us help you do your job better”. A question was raised that AAUP may be able to provide training or a tool to use to provide feedback to administration. John will bring up these chronic concerns with Administration. Zone 4 also had a concern with the cumbersome travel authorization process. The problems are recurrent and are discouraging faculty from traveling. John will talk to Angela about the problems.

V. Reports

A. President’s

John reiterated much of the information discussed above.

B. Officers’

Kory stated that she is learning a lot from John.

C. FEC

PC will have 3 voting representatives at FEC during AY 2016-17.

John reminded Senate that the Occupational Faculty representative to Meet and Confer is available. The deadline is Monday, February 22.

The Steering Committee for Centers of Excellence was announced. Three of the faculty members are FEC members. The formation of the Steering Committee was a result of the concerns of faculty that were expressed via email and in meetings to Ilya Iussa.

Zone Senators should encourage their faculty to complete the Campus Safety Assessment survey. This is intended to gather data regarding legislative initiatives regarding guns on campus.

D. BRC

Entire Fund 1 budget was examined for the first time in BRC.

VI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn (Cloud, Wilson, MPU)

Next Faculty Senate Meeting
Friday, March 25, 2016
Campus Vista Room
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm